

One specimen. Inaccessible Island, Tristan da Cunha, October 16, 1873. Shot sitting on the branches of a tree (*Phyllica arborea*).

No. 484, ♀. Admiralty Islands, March 3 and 10, 1875.

No. 508, ♀. At sea, March 20, 1875. Stomach contained small crustacea. Eyes black.]

In the adult specimen from St Paul's rocks, where the breeding-season was far advanced, the feathers are much worn; and the bird from Inaccessible Island appears to be only a few months old, the portion of the bill in front of the mandibular angle being very short and weak. Under the head of the preceding species I have already remarked upon the noteworthy fact of these two Noddies being found so far south, and it would be interesting to know if they breed there. The specimens from the Admiralty Islands are adults.

#### 10. *Larus ridibundus*, Linn.

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[No. 363, ♂. Manila, January 11 and 14, 1875. Eyes brown.

Four specimens, two ♂, two ♀. Yokohama, Japan, May 1875. Eyes brown.]

The Manila specimen and two of the Japanese are birds of the previous year, the other two are adults. One of these, a female, is remarkable for its small size, the wings (allowing for a deficient primary) being only 11.5 inches long; still I have seen and possessed similar examples of diminutive females from other localities, as well as from Japan and China; and the other parts being in proportion, there is nothing else to distinguish this from the ordinary form.

#### 11. *Larus canus*, Linn.

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[♂. Japan, May 1875.]

A bird of the previous year; wing-coverts much abraded.

#### 12. *Larus glaucodes*, Meyen.

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[No. 650, ♂. Messier Channel, Straits of Magellan, January 4, 1876. Eyes hazel, feet and bill reddish.]

A bird of a full year old, the tail being nearly devoid of the band showing immaturity; but the shoulders retain some brownish feathers.